



*He is
risen!*

MARK 16:6

WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome all God's people to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve.

Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Bethany. If you have questions for the pastor or church office, please call at 630.879.3444 or visit our website at www.bethanybatavia.org. Welcome!

Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand or prefer to sit during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated.

Children's Resources

Children's worship bulletins are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery

While not staffed, the nursery is open for parents who may find it helpful. The nursery is located on the sanctuary level, where you will find a changing table, rocking chair and some toys. You can still hear the worship service through a speaker in the room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Cell Phones and Pagers

Please silence all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

Easter Breakfast

Please join us after Worship for our Annual Easter Breakfast Youth Fundraiser.

Holy Communion

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All are invited to the table where Christ himself is host.

As We Gather:

We often fear what we do not know or understand. For the guards and the women at the tomb on that Easter morning, nothing made sense. The stone was rolled away from the tomb and the one whom they had seen die was supposedly alive. An angel appeared before them so brightly that they were almost blinded. The earth shook beneath their feet for the second time in a few days. What was happening now? Was God about to exact revenge? It is impressive that the women put aside their bewilderment and responded with faith. Proclamation quickly becomes their calling, and their faith is soon rewarded when they are suddenly met by Jesus. They are now able to see that joy has triumphed. Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluias return to the liturgy today. You will notice the chest where the Alleluia banner was kept during Lent is open today and the children will help bring back the Alleluia!

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: Canzona No. 29

Marche Royale

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

Girolama Frescobaldi/S.D.Wolff

Jean-Baptiste Lully/S. D. Wolff

John Behnke

We rise and face the processional cross for the hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW #367



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

EASTER ACCLAMATION

P Christ, the Lord, has risen from the grave!

C And because he lives, we too shall live.

P "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your power?
O death, where is your sting?"

C "Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!

ELW #365



1	Je - sus	Christ	is	ris'n	to - day,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!	
2	Hymns	of	praise	then	let	us	sing,	Al	-	le	-	ia!	
3	But	the	pains	which	he	en - dured,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
4	Sing	we	to	our	God	a - bove,	Al	-	lc	-	lu	-	ia!



our	tri - um - phant	ho - ly	day,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!	
un -	to Christ,	our	heav'n - ly	king,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
our	sal - va - tion	have	pro - cured;	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!	
praise	e - ter - nal	as	his	love;	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!



who	did	once	up -	on	the	cross,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
who	en - dured	the	cross	and	grave,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!	
now	a -	bove	the	sky	he's	king,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
praise	him,	all	you	heav'n - ly	host,	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!	



suf -	fer	to	re -	deem	our	loss.	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
sin -	ners	to	re -	deem	and	save.	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
where	the	an -	gels	ev -	er	sing.	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!
Fa -	ther,	Son,	and	Ho -	ly	Ghost.	Al	-	le	-	lu	-	ia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death.

Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34—43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia!

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

The choir sings the Refrain once; the congregation repeats and joins in singing twice each time thereafter.

REFRAIN



- L Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;*
his mercy en- | dures forever.
- C **Let Israel | now proclaim,***
“His mercy en- | dures forever.”
- L The LORD is my strength | and my song,*
and he has become | my salvation.
- C **There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory***
in the tents | of the righteous:
- L “The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!*
- The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
- The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!”
- C **I shall not | die, but live,***
and declare the works | of the LORD.

REFRAIN

- L The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.
- C **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;***
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.
- L “This is the gate | of the LORD;*
- he who is right- | eous may enter.”
- C **I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me***
and have become | my salvation.
- L The same stone which the build- | ers rejected*
- has become the chief | cornerstone.
- C **This is | the LORD's doing,***
and it is marvelous | in our eyes.
- L On this day the | LORD has acted;*
- we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

REFRAIN

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1–11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you — unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them — though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**



We stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

ELW #391

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
sprung to life this mor - row. Had Christ, who once was
slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848–1934
Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.



HOLY GOSPEL: John 20:1–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

SERMON

Pastor Jeffrey Mikyska
John 20:1–18



We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Thine Is the Glory

ELW #376



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave-clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939
Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

NICENE CREED

L Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

L You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

L You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- L You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world that all may experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- L You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- L You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- L As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

+ MEAL +

PEACE OF CHRIST

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.



OFFERING MUSIC: Christ Is Risen! Christ Is Alive!

Lloyd Larson
Brian Wren

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia!
Celebrate this day of days.
Sing aloud your hymns of gladness;
Sing your joyous hymns of praise!

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia!
King of kings whom we adore.
Death is conquered, sin is defeated.
Jesus lives forevermore.

Where, O grave, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your evil sting?
Christ is risen, he is risen!
He's risen from the dead.

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall neve

Christ is alive and comes to bring
Good news to this and every age;
Till earth and sky and ocean ring
With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

We stand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C **Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and the other women who approached the tomb, and with all the witnesses who have proclaimed Christ's resurrection throughout the ages, with the earth and the sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
 Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
 You have filled all creation with light and life;
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
 the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt,
 the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets;
 and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
 who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
 and was obedient to your will, even to the giving of his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
that we who share in Christ's body and blood,
may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread;

**and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P All are welcome to the victory feast of the Lamb. Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

EASTER CANTICLE

☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **☩** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was

slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
 strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. I Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and
 join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and
 might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II For the Lamb who was
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to his triumphant banquet feast. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink. White grape juice, a non-alcoholic alternative, and gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

VOLUNTARY: Fantasy on "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"

Cynthia Dobrinski
Grace Notes Bell Choir

HYMN: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

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|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" | All on earth with an - gels say; |
| 2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, | fought the fight, the bat - tle won. |
| 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; | Christ has burst the gates of hell. |
| 4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! | Where, O death, is now your sting? |



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply.
Lo! The sun's e - clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for - bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save; where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

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| 5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.
Thee we greet triumphant now:
hail, the resurrection, thou! | 6 King of glory, soul of bliss,
everlasting life is this:
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,
thus to sing, and thus to love! |
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Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, Pierre de Corbeil, d. 1222





Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



- 1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free your



tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

C **Amen.**

L Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people.

Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may reflect your love and show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us both now and forevermore.
C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

ELW #385



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpus, 1570–1615

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DISMISSAL

L Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
L Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE: Fanfare in C

Henry Purcell/S.D. Wolff

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister
Grace Rusev, Worship Leader
Alan Spear, Organist
Mia Rusev, Reader
Todd Toles, A/V
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Carole Benson, Ushers
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Grace Notes Handbell Choir

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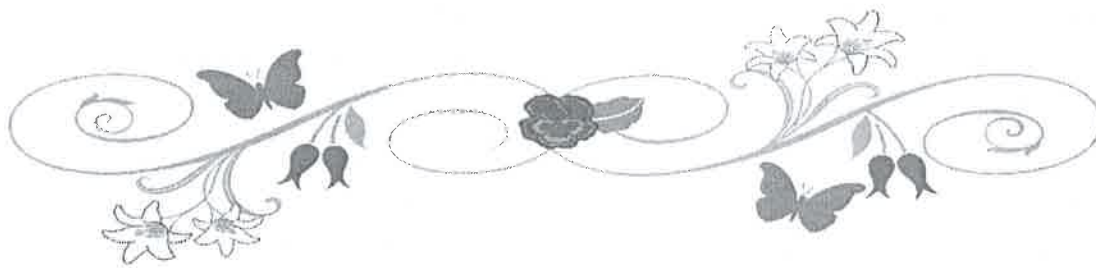
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Easter Lilies

<i><u>In Memory Of</u></i>	<i><u>Given By</u></i>
Loved Ones	Ralph & Ruth Beck
James Benson.....	Carole Benson
Raymond & Leone Johnson; Parents & Grandparents	Diane & Mary Helen Ekstam & Family
Fred Ekstam, Husband of Diane & Father of Mary Helen, Karen & Peter.....	Diane & Mary Helen Ekstam & Family
Karl Bruhn, Spouse of Mary Helen	Diane & Mary Helen Ekstam & Family
Loved Ones	Norm & Nancy Freedlund
Olive & Herb Brewer; Marilyn & Dale Grashorn.....	Dennis & Ellen Grashorn
Bob Gustafson.....	Cindy Gustafson
Dorothy, James & Jay.....	Jon & Marsha Habegger
Frank & Agnes Henschler; Art & Hillie Schultx.....	Ken & Judy Henschler
Carl "Pa" Hirt.....	Brad, Anna & Bella Hirt
Loved Ones	Fred & Ann Holch
Claire Kaszynski.....	David Kaszynski
Glen Kaszynski.....	David Kaszynski
Margret Peterson	David Kaszynski
Our Parents	Rich & Nancy Kreis
Rita & Willis Larsen.....	Gary & Marilyn Larsen
Mary & Paul Henderson.....	Gary & Marilyn Larsen
Loved Ones	Mal Seagren
Parents & Siblings.....	Val Schalk
Grandpa Gus.....	The Stahl Family
George & Amelia Glasser	Robert Stephano
Frank & Dale Kobout.....	Thomassen Family
Papa	The Toles Family
Paul & Marilyn Wagenknecht.....	Pastor Jerry & Peg Wagenknecht
Elmer & Pauline Robrbacher; Rich Robrbacher.....	Pastor Jerry & Peg Wagenknecht
My Parents	Sue Walz
Dick White – Dick Benson	Dorothy White & Son

In Honor Of***Given By***

Children & Grandchildren..... Ralph & Ruth Beck
Our Parents Kurt & Suzanne Grashorn
Family Kris Kaar
Maria Lopez..... Lopez Family

In Celebration Of***Given By***

Family Jan Bristow
Our Children & Grandchildren Ken & Judy Henschler
The Risen Christ..... Fred & Ann Holch
Our Lives Together..... Pastor Steve & Liesa Ritter
Our Risen Lord Jim & Cheri Sager
New Life & Blessings..... Ed & Diane Schalk
Easter..... Dorothy Thorsen
Family & Friends..... The Toles' Family
My Family..... Sue Walz
For a Better Back..... Brigitte Winkler

Given By

Bill & Debbie Garrison

LET US PRAY...

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Blessings to new parents Emma and Danny Hess on the birth of their first child, Franklin Daniel, grandparents, Pam and Dan Foelske and great grandmother, Jan Bristow.

Blessings to Madeline on receiving her First Communion today.

We pray for all who are hospitalized in our greater community and for those who are serving them.

Please pray for those who are part of the life of Bethany who struggle with illness and other concerns:

Ralph Beck, Mary Bradtmueller,, Diane Garland, Shirley Grant, Anna Jackson, Mike & Deb Hruby, Karin Johnston, Kris Kaar, Luke & Diane Land, Bob Novy, Dorothy Patzer, Louise Pruitt, Marjorie Reas, George & Shirley Striedl, Pastor Jerry Wagenknecht, Bev Waterfield, Sandi Wilcox

Please pray for those who are homebound and those in a care facility:

Mark Anderson	Silverado Memory Care, St Charles
Marie Holtz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Bill Keele	Heritage Woods
Pam Klingberg	Heritage Woods
Wanda Krentz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Joan Olson	Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad
Pat Sullivan	Bardwell Residence, Aurora
Jay & Carol Wierz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad

Please pray for all those serving in the military, especially those who are connected to our congregation.

Owen Schuster
Steven Surdyski

Please pray for our family and friends:

Phoenix and family
Bill Bernardoni
Ron Slack
Sandy & Dale Christianson
Sofie
Geneva Isham
Family of Joe Fornero
Geri Vincent
Owen Libley
Ron Krukewitt
Pam Waers
Terri Wells
Patricia Lusted
Rosi
Larry Richmond
Neil Weir
Jim Martin
Lili
Lisa
Fr. Matt BeBlock
Doug
Mary Weinert
Richard Tabor
Carl C.
Student at Genoa-Kingston Middle School
Marcia McDugle
Molly & Mike Updyke
Jim Anderson
Robert & Vicki Johnson
Bonnie & Jim Hines

Phoenix is a student of Pam Foelske who lost his dad
Friend of John & Karol Clark
Brother-in-Law of John & Karol Clark
Friends of Val Schalk
Friend of Bob & Sue Novy
Grandmother of Danny & Emma Hess
7th Grader who passed away last week from Lemont
Friend of Val Schalk
Brother of Lois Benson
Brother-in-Law of Sue DeLong
Friend of Sue DeLong
Friend of Lynn Dreymler
Friend of Janice Reynolds
Friend of Janice Reynolds
Brother-in-Law of Kathy Richmond
Friend of Todd Toles
Brother-in-Law of Tom & Dee Schuman
Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman
Friend of Kathy Richmond
Co-Worker's Son of Kathy Richmond
Friend of Jan Bristow
Sister-in-Law of Pam Klingberg
Brother of Liesa Ritter
Friend of Bethany Walking Group

Friend of Bob & Sue Novy
Daughter/Son-in-Law of George & Shirley Streidl
Friend of Bob Nelson
Brother-in-Law/Sister-in-Law of Val Schalk
Parents of Suzanne Grashorn

Pat
 Kristen Benakis
 Pat Pydo
 Todd Streidl
 Marilyn
 Tracy Clark
 Mary Lawrence
 Lee Peterson
 Loda George Ricker
 Calvin, Diane & Family
 Katie Taylor
 Jane Wirth
 Michelle Hartzell
 Rick Gaston
 Mary Hughs
 Dottie
 Lizzie Bork
 Jeffrey Campbell
 Kate and Family
 Damon Schultz
 Sue S.
 Nicole
 Maureen Scollon
 Chris Sidler
 Lisa
 Heather
 Gretchen VanKempema
 Ryan Anderson
 Lynne Morrow
 Kenzie
 Paul Mazen
 Heather Staudacher, Dr. Mark Staudacher & family,
 Phil
 Kathy Dee's Family
 Mary Jo Benstein's Family
 Susan Sheley
 Bonnie
 Carole W.
 Diane Ekstam Johnson
 Tammy English
 Jerry Martin
 Teri Prokes
 Tony Prokes
 Kelli Robertson
 Ed Stahl

Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:

David Wyatt
 Terry Ahlgren
 Beau Cueva
 Pat Sullivan

Brother-in-Law of Suzanne Grashorn
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy
 Friend of John & Laura Peterson/Marty Offutt-Gruber
 Son of George & Shirley Streidl
 Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman
 Sister of Tara Shannon
 Sister-in-Law of Carole Benson
 Friend of Dottie White
 Friend of Fred & Ann Holch
 Friends of Kathy Richmond
 Great Niece of Ken & Judy Henschler
 Friend of Ken & Judy Henschler
 Friend of Beth Richard
 Friend of Ann Holch
 Sister of Jackie Page
 Friend of Paulette Smigo
 Friend of Julie Howard
 Nephew of Nan Phillips
 Friend of John & Karol Clark
 Son-in-Law of Shyla Carbone
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy
 Friend of Linda Sullivan
 Friend of Lois Benson & Dottie White
 Friend of Luke & Diane Land
 Friend of Beth Richard
 Friend of Schuman Family
 Daughter of Ann Holch
 Son of Aaron Anderson
 Friend and Colleague of Pastor Jeff & Gail
 Friend of Katie Robertson

Friend/Coworker of Beth Richard
 Lynn Dreymler's brother
 Teri Figura
 Teri Figura
 Daughter of Louise Pruitt
 Friend of Pastor Jeff
 Friend of Ann & Fred Holch
 Mother of Mary Helen Ekstam
 Daughter of Shirley Streidl
 Father of Nicki McVey
 Sister of Sue & Bob Novy
 Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy
 Daughter of Diane Schalk
 Father of Dan Stahl

Uncle to Bill (Debbie) Garrison

Friend of Danny & Emma Hess

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday, March 31 – Easter Sunday

9am	Worship	Sanctuary
10am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
10am	Easter Breakfast.....	Fellowship Hall/Kitchen
	Youth Ministry Fundraiser	
10:30am.....	Easter Egg Hunt.....	Meet in Fellowship Hall

Monday, April 1

OFFICE CLOSED

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
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Tuesday, April 2

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
9am	Quilters/Prayer Shawl Ministry.....	Fellowship Hall
10am	Property Committee	Conference Room
11am	Emergency Planning Team	Library
6:30pm.....	Girls BSA Troop 6.....	Vlahn Room/Gym
6:30pm.....	Fox Valley Woodworkers	Library/Lower Level/M111
7pm	Fox Valley Woodworkers	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 3

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
5:30pm.....	Youth Bells	Balcony
6pm	Confirmation Class	Fellowship Hall
7pm	Men's Basketball.....	Ministry Center Gym

Thursday, April 4

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
6:30pm.....	Boy Scout Troop 6.....	Gym/Vlahn Room

Friday, April 5

8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
4pm	District Pinewood Derby Set-Up.....	Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 6

7:30am	Men's Basketball.....	Ministry Center Gym
10am	District Pinewood Derby.....	Fellowship Hall
10am	Al-Anon	Library
10am	Al-Ateen	Lower Level
8pm	AA	Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 7

9am	Worship	Sanctuary
10am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
10:30am.....	Sunday School.....	Main Building/2 nd Floor